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Title : Gathering Stapler with Separate Drives and  
Method of Operating the Gathering Stapler

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AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks,  
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Sir :

Responsive to the Office action dated November 14, 2002 kindly  
amend the above-identified application as follows: